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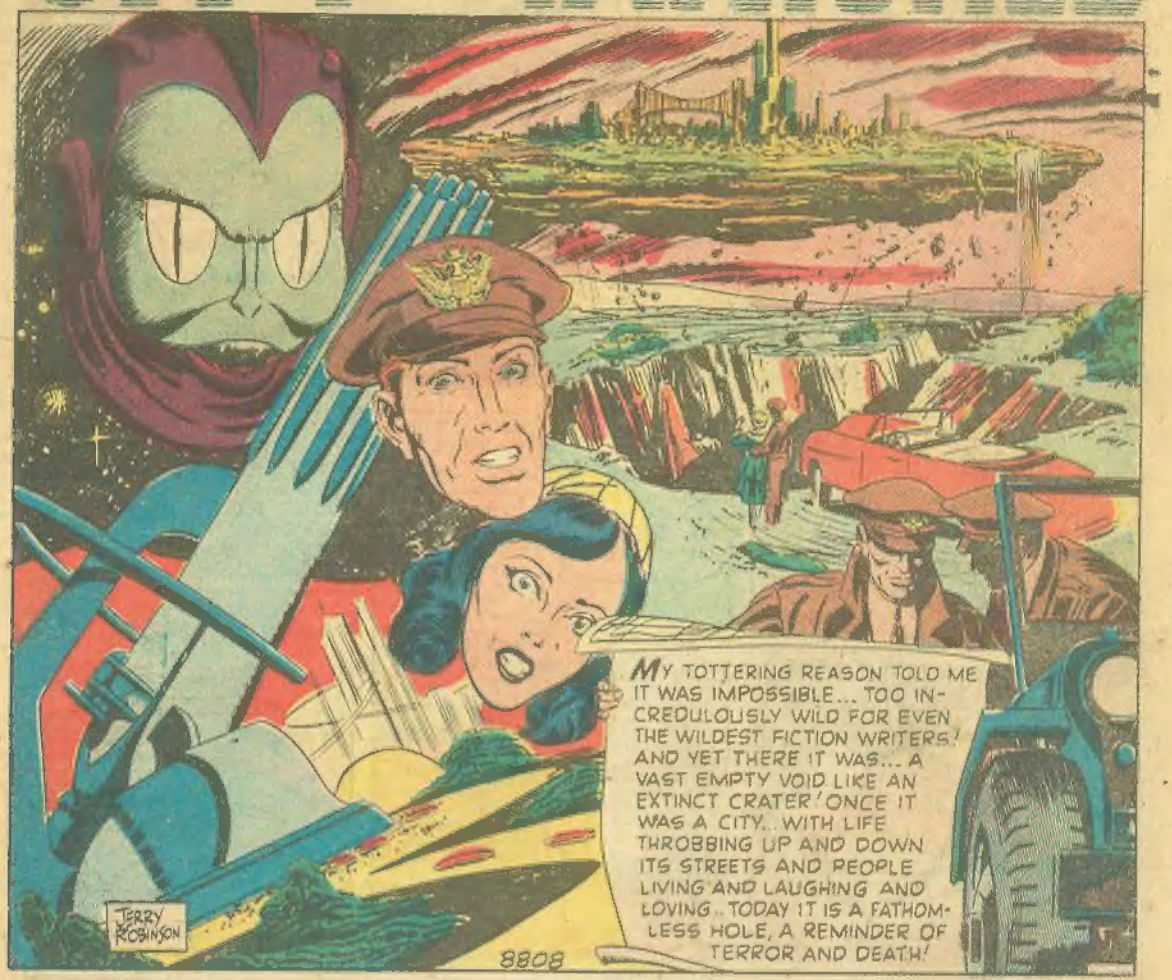
THE CITY THAT VANISHED


MY TOTTERING REASON TOLD ME IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE... TOO INCREDULOUSLY WILD FOR EVEN THE WILDEST FICTION WRITERS! AND YET THERE IT WAS... A VAST EMPTY VOID LIKE AN EXTINCT CRATER! ONCE IT WAS A CITY.. WITH LIFE THROBBING UP AND DOWN ITS STREETS AND PEOPLE LIVING AND LAUGHING AND LOVING.. TODAY IT IS A FATHOMLESS HOLE, A REMINDER OF TERROR AND DEATH!
JERRY ROBINSON
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IT WAS THAT MOMENTOUS NIGHT BEFORE I WAS TO LEAVE FOR OVERSEAS! JUDY AND I WERE PARKED ON A HILL OVERLOOKING THE CITY OF CARSON!
GOSH, TED! I'M GOING TO MISS YOU WHEN YOU'RE AWAY!
WON'T BE LONG...JUST A COUPLE OF BOMB TESTS.... SORT OF PRACTICE FOR OUR MARRIED LIFE!

THE CITY LOOKED SO PEACEFUL AND QUIET WITH ITS THOUSANDS OF LIGHTS STRUNG OUT LIKE NECKLACES!
YOU BIG SILLY! DO YOU REALIZE YOU'LL BE GONE FOR MONTHS?
DON'T WORRY! IT WILL BE OVER BEFORE....SAY.... WHAT GOES ON?

SUDDENLY AN EAR-PIERCING SOUND DROWNED OUT THE STATION ON THE RADIO AND THE LIGHTS IN THE CITY WENT ON AND OFF AS THOUGH SOMEONE WERE PLAYING WITH THE MASTER SWITCH!

GOOD NIGHT! WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS THING?

TED, LOOK! THE CITY LIGHTS ARE BLINKING!

EEEEEEK

BRRRRRR

THEN, AS THOUGH RAISED BY AN INVISIBLE ELEVATOR THE CAR BEGAN TO LIFT EERILY INTO THE AIR!

MUST BE AN EARTHQUAKE! EVERYTHING IS TREMBLING AND... HEY!

TED! WE'RE MOVING! WE'RE OFF THE GROUND!

AFTER AN ETERNITY OF SUSPENSE IN THE AIR, THE CAR SUDDENLY DROPPED LIKE A ROCK... IT WAS A MIRACLE WE DIDN'T GO OVER THE CLIFF!

OH, TED... I'M FRIGHTENED! WHAT'S HAPPENING?

GREAT SCOTT! THIS MUST BE THE END OF THE WORLD!

I HELPED JUDY OUT OF THE CAR AND WE BOTH STOOD THERE MOMENTARILY DAZED AND SHAKEN!

I'M ALL RIGHT NOW, TED!

THE LIGHTS! THE CITY LIGHTS ARE ALL OUT! AND IT'S SO QUIET!

THERE WAS SOMETHING OMINOUSLY CREEPY ABOUT THAT DEAD SILENCE IN THE PITCH BLACK NIGHT! WHAT HAD HAPPENED DOWN IN THE CITY? WHY WERE THERE NO LIGHTS?.. NO SOUNDS?

OH, TED! TAKE ME HOME! IT'S A NIGHTMARE!

EASY, KID! OKAY NOW! MUST'VE BEEN ONE OF THOSE FREAK EARTH TREMORS...

HOW COULD I TELL HER THE TORTURING DOUBT IN MY MIND? IT WASN'T AN EARTHQUAKE! EARTHQUAKES DON'T LIFT CARS INTO THE AIR!

WE'LL CRAWL ALONG UNTIL WE FIND A LANDMARK!

OH, TED.... I'M SO SCARED... DON'T SEE HOUSES OR ROAD LIGHTS!

OUR HEADLIGHTS STABBED INTO DENSE DARKNESS SHOWING NOTHING BUT THE DIM ROAD AHEAD, WHEN SUDDENLY.....

TED! TED! STOP!

GREAT SCOTT! THIS IS UNBELIEVABLE!

MY FOOT JAMMED THE BRAKES AND WE STOPPED ON THE EDGE OF A SHEER DROP DOWN INTO A BLACK GAPING HOLE!
OH, TED, SOMETHING AWFUL HAS HAPPENED! THAT WASN'T JUST AN EARTH TREMOR... IT WAS SOMETHING DREADFUL... I CAN FEEL IT!
WE MUST HAVE LOST OUR WAY! I DON'T REMEMBER A CANYON AROUND HERE!

HAGGARD AND TENSE, WE STRAINED THROUGH THE FIRST LIGHT OF DAWN... AND THEN WE SAW A SIGHT WHICH CURDLED THE BLOOD IN OUR VEINS...
GOOD HEAVENS, TED! THIS CAN'T BE REAL! IT'S...IT'S...
INCREDIBLE!... UNBELIEVABLE! AN ENTIRE CITY...GONE! NOTHING LEFT BUT A HOLE... A BOTTOMLESS PIT!

WE FOUND OUR WAY TO A TOWN SOME DISTANCE AWAY WHERE WE GOT THE FULL SCOPE ON THE ASTOUNDING THING THAT HAD HAPPENED!
A WHOLE CITY WIPED OFF THE MAP... JUST LIKE THAT!
MUST'VE BEEN AN H-BOMB!
NAW... WE WOULDA HEARD THE BLAST!
WASHINGTON IN TURMOIL! PRESIDENT CALLS EMERGENCY SESSION OF CABINET! MARTIAL LAW IN CALIFORNIA!

THIS WAS THE DAY I WAS TO GO OVERSEAS.. LEAVING FROM CARSON.. THE CITY THAT VANISHED! I CALLED WASHINGTON FOR INSTRUCTIONS...
HELLO... GENERAL BATES... COLONEL BLAKE CALLING!
HELLO, TED... THANK HEAVENS YOU'RE SAFE! GET BACK HERE ON THE DOUBLE! CHIEF OF STAFF WANTS A MEETING OF NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS!

WE FLEW TO WASHINGTON AND JUDY STAYED WITH MY MOTHER WHO LIVED ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY! ALL OF JUDY'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS HAD VANISHED IN THAT CITY IN CALIFORNIA!
THERE...THERE, NOW! I KNOW HOW HARD IT IS...
MY FAMILY... MY FRIENDS! (SOB)...
TAKE CARE OF HER, MOM! I'LL BE BACK AS SOON AS I REPORT IN!

AT THE STAFF MEETING EVERYBODY WAS BAFFLED AND SPECULATIONS WERE A DIME A DOZEN!
WHAT'S THE ANSWER, GENTEMEN? AN ENTIRE CITY DISAPPEARS... BUILDINGS, CARS, PEOPLE... WHAT'S HAPPENED TO THEM? THERE MUST BE SOME EXPLANATION!
SIR, HAS THE POSSIBILITY OF A SATELLITE HITTING THE CITY BEEN CONSIDERED?

WE HAVE DISCOUNTED THAT! THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF MINERAL IMBEDDED IN THE GROUND!
SIR, COULD IT HAVE BEEN A NEW ROCKET TYPE OF LONG RANGE BOMB?
THAT'S OUT, TOO! THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF CONCUSSION OR FLYING DEBRIS...NOR WAS ANY SOUND OF A BOMB HEARD!
COLONEL BLAKE....SINCE YOU WERE IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA ON THE NIGHT OF THE CATASTROPHE.... HAVE YOU A THEORY AS TO WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED?
THERE WAS ONLY ONE THEORY LEFT WITH EARTHQUAKES, SATELLITES AND BOMBS DISCOUNTED.....
AS IMPOSSIBLE AS IT SOUNDS, SIR, I BELIEVE THE CITY WAS LITERALLY TORN OFF THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH BY SOME FOREIGN INFLUENCE..EVEN BY THE PULL OF A DISTANT PLANET!
IMPOSSIBLE! THAT'S A SCIENCE FICTION THEORY!
RIDICULOUS!
GENTLEMEN, PLEASE LET COLONEL BLAKE CONTINUE!
I BELIEVE THAT SOMEWHERE THERE IS A TREMENDOUS MAGNETIC CONTRIVANCE, EITHER OF MAN OR NATURE, WHICH WAS DIRECTED AT THE EARTH AND IT LITERALLY RIPPED THE CITY, WHICH WAS AT THE POINT OF MAGNETIC ATTRACTION, OUT OF THE GROUND!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT WAS A FREAK OF NATURE! ANYTHING REMOTELY RESEMBLING THIS THING HAS NEVER BEEN RECORDED!
IT MUST HAVE BEEN THE WORK OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY!
AS CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, I CAN ASSURE YOU THERE IS NO COUNTRY ON EARTH WITH EVEN THE FAINTEST IDEA WHERE TO BEGIN WITH A PROJECT LIKE THAT!
THEN, PERHAPS COLONEL BLAKE'S THEORY IS CORRECT! IF SO, THE MAGNETIC DEVICE COULD BE ON ANOTHER PLANET... BUT WHICH? WHICH ONE OF THE COUNTLESS MILLIONS OF PLANETS IS MENACING OUR EARTH?

WHICH PLANET? WE ALL HAD A SLEEPLESS NIGHT TRYING TO FATHOM THE IMPOSSIBLE WHILE THE INTERPLANETARY INFLUENCE STRUCK AGAIN!

ELM CITY DISAPPEARS! NEAR PANIC REIGNS IN THE NATION! PEOPLE ARE LEAVING BIG CITIES IN DROVES!

THIS IS FRIGHTFUL!

HORRIBLE! TWO CITIES IN TWO DAYS ...VANISHED!

WHAT MONSTROUS THING IS WIPING OUT CITIES AS THOUGH THEY NEVER EXISTED? WHICH CITY WILL BE NEXT? THAT IS THE BURNING QUESTION ON THE LIPS OF THE NATION!

GOT TO GET GOING, MOM! SEE YOU LATER, JUDY!

GENTLEMEN, THIS IS WORSE THAN WAR! TWO BIG CITIES WITH MORE THAN TWO MILLION PEOPLE DISAPPERED! PANIC IS ABROAD IN THE NATION! PEOPLE ARE JAMMING THE HIGHWAYS OUT OF TOWNS! WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!

ANOTHER HOPELESS DAY SPENT IN GUESSING! THAT WAS ALL WE COULD DO! HOW COULD WE GET AT SOMETHING LOST IN THE BOTTOMLESS INFINITY OF SPACE?

NOW WHAT POSSIBLE REASON COULD PEOPLE ON ANOTHER PLANET HAVE TO USE A MAGNETIC FORCE ON THE EARTH?

TO PULL OUR PLANET NEARER, OF COURSE! BUT **WHY?**

I LET MY IMAGINATION DRIFT UNRESTRAINED AND IT CAME UP WITH AN ASTOUNDING IDEA! WASN'T IT POSSIBLE THE PLANET MIGHT HAVE HAD SUPERIOR BEINGS WHO WOULD TRY TO CONQUER OTHER PLANETS?

WASN'T IT POSSIBLE THERE MIGHT BE AN INTERPLANETARY HITLER SOMEWHERE WHO, NOT SATISFIED WITH CONQUERING HIS OWN PLANET WANTED TO CONQUER OTHER PLANETS.... AN INTERSPACE DICTATOR?

THIS WAS BEGINNING TO MAKE SENSE! SUPPOSE HE COULD NOT SPAN THE MILLIONS OF MILES TO ATTACK THIS PLANET WITH HIS SPACE SHIPS! WITH THE MAGNETIC DEVICE HE COULD PULL THEM CLOSER TO HIS PLANET AND ATTACK THEM!

AS INSANE AS IT SOUNDED IT WAS A GLEAM OF AN IDEA! AND THE SOLUTION TO THE WHOLE THING HIT ME LIKE A HYDROGEN BOMB!

I'VE GOT IT! I'VE GOT IT! GOT TO TALK TO GENERAL BATES RIGHT AWAY!

WHAT I TOLD THE GENERAL MADE HIM ROUT OUT THE WHOLE STAFF OUT OF BED AND OVER TO THE PENTAGON IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT!

GENTLEMEN, THIS IS INSANE GETTING YOU OUT LIKE THIS BUT WE HAVE AN INSANE PROPOSITION TO MAKE! COLONEL BLAKE...

I HAD THE FLOOR! AND TENSE, ANNOYED FACES WERE THRUST AT ME AS I UNFOLDED MY PLAN!

...IF THERE IS A POWER ON ANOTHER PLANET WHICH IS EXERTING A MAGNETIC FORCE ON THE EARTH, THEN WHATEVER WAS PULLED OFF THE EARTH WOULD MOVE DIRECTLY TO THE POINT OF ATTRACTION

I LEARNED THAT THEORY IN HIGH SCHOOL!

IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT... HE TELLS US THAT!

NOW, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF A CITY PULLED OFF THE EARTH WERE FILLLED WITH ATOMIC BOMBS AND HYDROGEN BOMBS AND EVERY POSSIBLE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WE COULD LOAD IT WITH?

IT'D BLOW THE OTHER PLANET INTO DUST!

SURE IT WOULD BUT HOW DO WE KNOW WHICH CITY WILL DISAPPEAR NEXT?

THE CHOICE IS UP TO US! WE'LL LOAD A GHOST CITY WITH TONS OF **MAGNETITE**, THE IRON ORE WHICH IS STRONGLY ATTRACTED BY MAGNETIC FORCES! NO MATTER WHAT CITY THEY AIM FOR, THE CITY WE LOAD WITH MAGNETITE ... AND THE BOMBS... WILL BE THE ONE ATTRACTED!

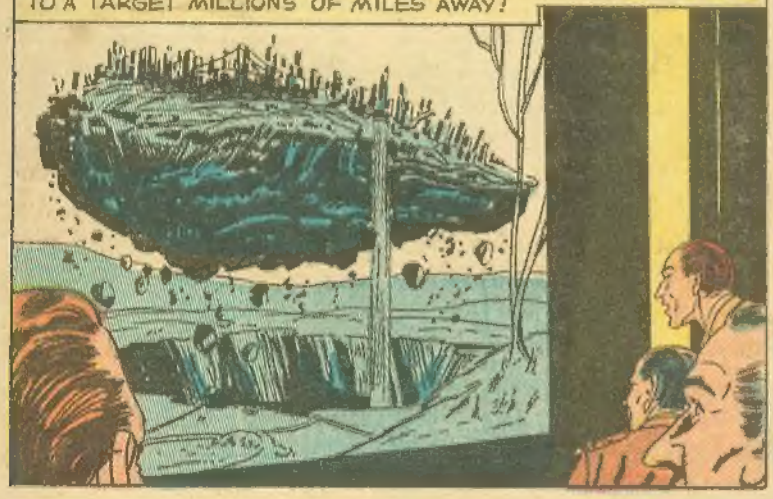
TWO WEEKS LATER THE BIGGEST EXPLOSIVE FORCE EVER ASSEMBLED WAS READY! A GHOST CITY LOADED WITH DEATH!

WELL, IT'S ALL SET! EVERY BUILDING, HOUSE AND SHACK IS LOADED WITH **A** AND **H** BOMBS! IF ONE OF THOSE GOES OFF BEFORE TIME THIS WHOLE CONTINENT WILL BE WIPED OUT!

EVERYTHING WAS SET! WE WAITED NIGHT AFTER NIGHT, NEVER LEAVING THE HUGE TELEVISION SCREEN! CREWS WERE SET UP AT A SAFE DISTANCE FROM THE CITY! BUT NOTHING HAPPENED! THE SUSPENSE WAS THICK AND NERVES WERE TAUT!

AND FINALLY IT CAME! THE MOST EERIE SIGHT EVER SEEN BY MAN ON EARTH! AS THOUGH BY INVISIBLE, GHOSTLY FORCE.....

A CITY....FULLY LIGHTED.. WAS LITERALLY BEING PULLED STRAIGHT UP INTO THE SKY! A CITY CARRYING DESTRUCTION TO A TARGET MILLIONS OF MILES AWAY!



AS WE GAZED TONGUE-TIED AND TENSE THE CITY GRADUALLY DISAPPEARED INTO THE UPPER REACHES OF THE SKY! AND WE WAITED AS THE SECONDS TICKED OFF...

SUDDENLY, A BLINDING BLAST BROKE LOOSE IN THE HEAVENS, AS A CHAIN OF INTERPLANETARY EXPLOSIONS WERE SET OFF BY OUR BOMB-LADEN CITY WHICH FOUND ITS TARGET! THEN CAME DARKNESS!

AS WE GAPED IN WONDERMENT AT THE SCREEN, NOW SHOWING NOTHING BUT THE FULL MOON, A SMOKY PALL ROSE SLOWLY REVEALING THE TREMENDOUS AREA IN THE HEAVENS WHICH THE ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS HAD COVERED! OPERATION MAGNET COMPLETED!

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VALLEY OF VAMPIRES

JACK RENOLDS drove his car through the fast darkening streets of the small Italian village called Pozzouli, and he felt the chill of fear in his veins. He looked at his companion.

"I hope we reach the hotel before dark."

The swarthy Italian beside him, nodded his head in agreement. "Yes. It is not good to be on the streets of Pozzouli, these days, after the night sets in."

"Are there really, those — those horrible monsters roaming the countryside?" Renolds asked.

Luigi Menotti shrugged his shoulders. "You mean the Vampires? Who knows? Some of the people of Naples claim they have seen them."

A silence settled over the car and Jack found himself stepping hard on the gas. After a while, he said: "I never believed those things existed. What are they really?"

The man looked at him hard, and Jack Renolds thought he saw a glittering expression in his eyes. What did he know about this man anyway? A so-called professional guide.

Luigi said: "They are creatures of death. Monsters of the night who live off human blood, and—"

Renolds brought the car to a screeching halt.

"What is wrong?" asked Luigi.

"That little girl. Over there by the side of the road."

"She shouldn't be wandering around alone at this time."

"That's what I was thinking," Renolds said. "Hey, *signiorina!* Would you like me to take you home?"

She nodded. She was a small, frail child. Her face was lean and drawn from lack of food and care, but her hair was black as night and her eyes were warm and tender. She was a beautiful child. It tore at Jack Renolds' heart that a baby like this should have to know the ravages of a world made sick by war, that she should have to wander the country lanes where horrible ceatures of the night might seek her out.

Luigi got out, and the child climbed into the car next to Jack. Then the Italian got in after her, and they took off again brightened by her presence.

"From here on you had better drive more slowly, Mr Renolds. These roads are pitted with bomb craters."

Jack slowed down, and the tension he had felt before seemed to be relieved. He looked at the dark-eyed girl and asked: "What's your name?"

"Maria."

"Maria. That's a lovely name. Maria, what?"

"Maria Terrizi." She was looking at him with her deep pool-like eyes. They warmed her face and made him forget the lines of hardship that he saw there at first.

"Where do you live, Maria Terrizi?" asked Luigi.

She turned her eyes, almost reluctantly it seemed, from Jack and looked at Menotti to answer his question. "Above the baker's shop with my grand-mamma, Angela. It is very late. Angela will be very angry with me for staying out so late."

"Yes," said Jack. "A little girl like you should not be out at this hour. Do you know why?"

She nodded her head coyly.

"Tell me," asked Jack. "Why?"

"Because of the Vampires."

Luigi patted her on the head. "It is good for young children to know of these dangers. Tell me, are you afraid of the — the vampires?"

"No, senor. I am not afraid of anything."

"What? Not anything!"

She shook her head defiantly, and then she smiled at Jack as if to assure him that she really had courage.

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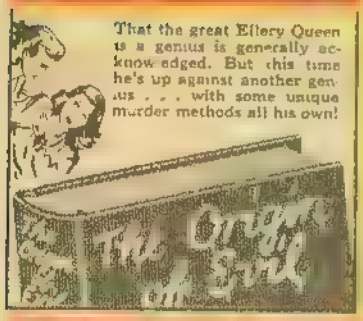

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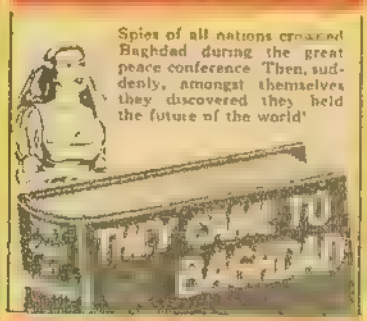

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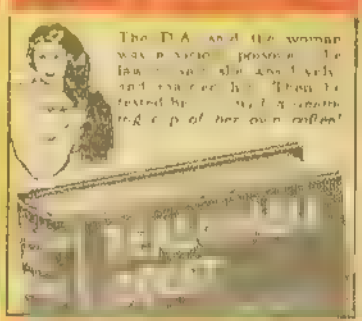

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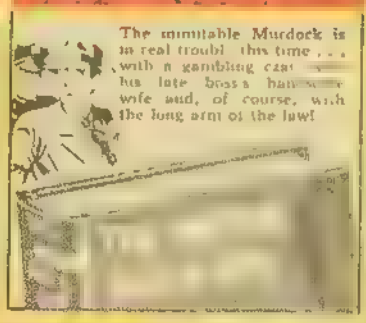

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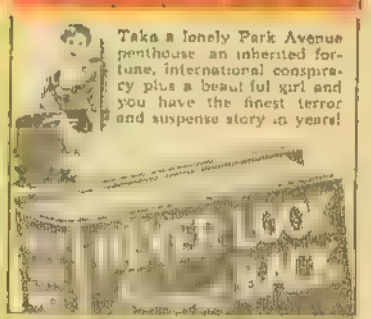

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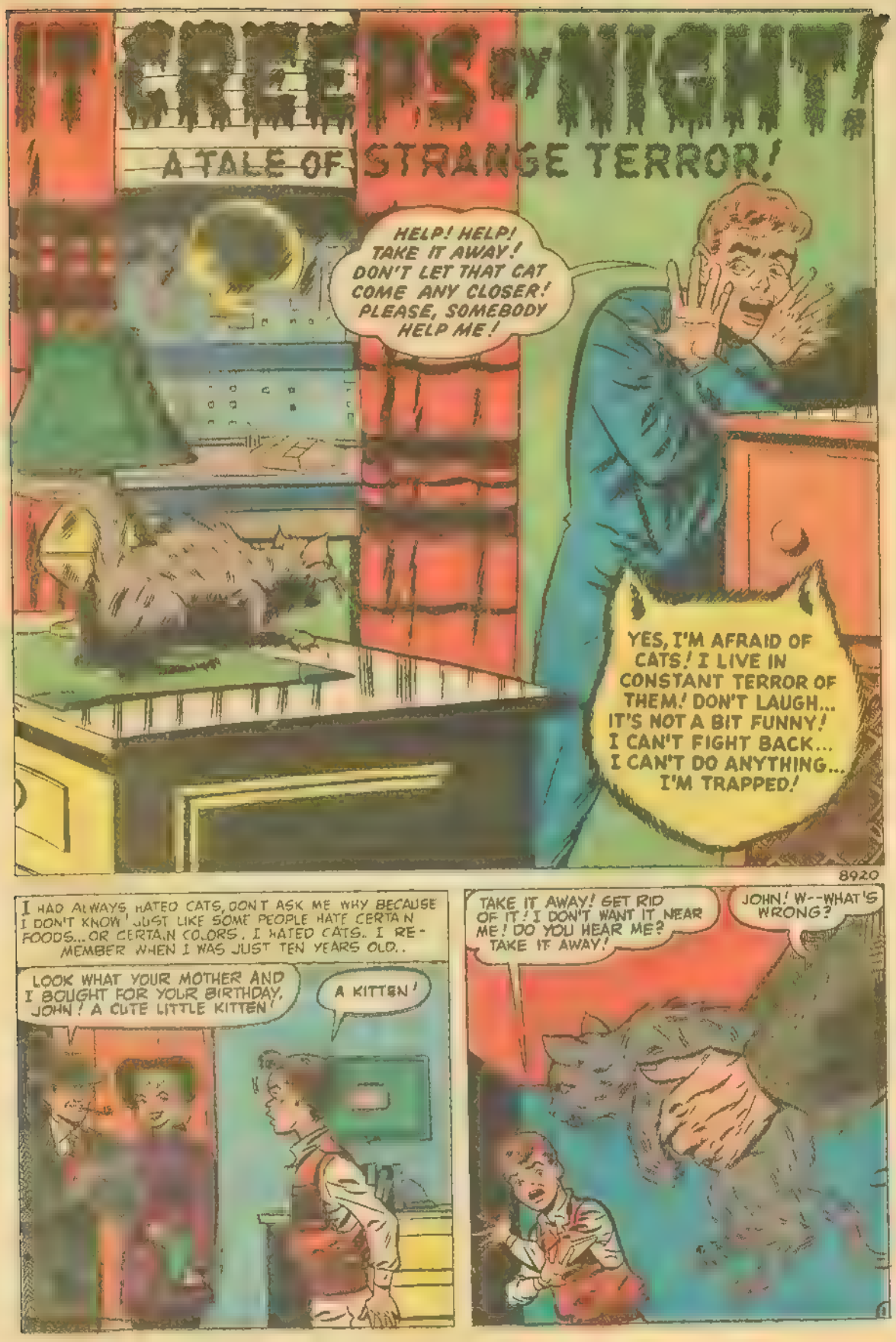
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A TALE OF STRANGE TERROR!
HELP! HELP! TAKE IT AWAY! DON'T LET THAT CAT COME ANY CLOSER! PLEASE, SOMEBODY HELP ME!
YES, I'M AFRAID OF CATS! I LIVE IN CONSTANT TERROR OF THEM! DON'T LAUGH... IT'S NOT A BIT FUNNY! I CAN'T FIGHT BACK... I CAN'T DO ANYTHING... I'M TRAPPED!
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I HAD ALWAYS HATED CATS, DON'T ASK ME WHY BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW! JUST LIKE SOME PEOPLE HATE CERTAIN FOODS... OR CERTAIN COLORS. I HATED CATS. I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS JUST TEN YEARS OLD..
LOOK WHAT YOUR MOTHER AND I BOUGHT FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY, JOHN! A CUTE LITTLE KITTEN!
A KITTEN!
TAKE IT AWAY! GET RID OF IT! I DON'T WANT IT NEAR ME! DO YOU HEAR ME? TAKE IT AWAY!
JOHN! W--WHAT'S WRONG?

MY PARENTS DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS WRONG WITH ME ...AND NEITHER DID I! I SEEMED NORMAL IN EVERY OTHER RESPECT...EXCEPT WHEN IT CAME TO CATS!
I'M GOING OUT TO PLAY.. I'LL BE BACK LATER.. WHEN THE CAT IS GONE!
EVEN WHEN I REACHED MANHOOD... THAT BURNING FEAR OF CATS WAS ALWAYS WITH ME!
THAT CAT! GET IT OUT OF HERE! I CAN'T EAT WHILE IT SITS AND STARES AT ME!
WHAT'S WRONG W TH HIM?
I DUNNO! TAKE THE CAT AWAY BEFORE HE BLOWS HIS TOP!
IT'S NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF, JOHNNY! LOTS OF PEOPLE ARE AFRAID OF SOMETHING, IT CAN BE SNAKES, HIGH PLACES, DARK ROOMS, OR ANYTHING! IN YOUR CASE IT JUST HAPPENS TO BE CATS!
IT SOUNDS SO SIMPLE WHEN I HEAR YOU TALK ABOUT IT, ELLEN!
BESIDES, DON'T WORRY, I BELIEVE IN REINCARNATION! AFTER YOU DIE, IN YOUR NEXT LIFE YOU MAY BE BORN A DOG! THEN YOU CAN GET EVEN WITH CATS FOR HAVING MADE YOUR LIFE SO MISERABLE!
REINCARNATION!
REINCARNATION! BEING BORN AGAIN... IN A NEW BODY! ELLEN HAD SAID IT AS A JOKE!.. BUT TO ME IT WAS MY ONE HOPE OF EVER ESCAPING FROM MY TERROR OF CAT!
IN THE NEXT LIFE.. I MIGHT NOT BE AFRAID OF CATS! OF COURSE! THAT'S THE SOLUTION!
JOHN--WHERE ARE YOU GOING? JOHN!
GOOD-BYE.. ELLEN!
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I KNEW WHAT I HAD TO DO! AS SOON AS I REACHED MY APARTMENT I SEARCHED FOR THE OLD ARMY REVOLVER I HAD KEPT AS A MEMENTO.

IT'S GOT TO BE HERE.

AT LAST I FOUND IT! IT WAS LOADED! BEFORE I COULD CHANGE MY MIND I PUT IT TO MY TEMPLE. AT LAST I WOULD BE FREE OF CATS! IF THERE WAS SUCH A THING AS REINCARNATION, I'D HAVE A NEW BODY. ONE WHICH WOULDN'T FEAR CATS! AND IF THERE WAS NO REINCARNATION, I'D BE DEAD AND THE CATS COULD NEVER SCARE ME AGAIN.

BANG

THE SECOND I OPENED MY EYES I KNEW THAT I WAS REBORN! I HAD BEEN REINCARNATED! THERE WAS MY OLD BODY, LYING DEAD BEFORE MY EYES, GUN IN HAND! BUT WHAT WAS I NOW? WHAT NEW BODY DID I OWN?

SUDDENLY I HEARD THE HISSING OF A CAT! I SPUN AROUND! THE OLD FEAR WAS STILL IN MY HEART! BUT IT WAS MULTIPLIED A THOUSAND-FOLD! INSTEAD OF LOSING MY HORROR OF CATS I WAS MORE THAN EVER TERRIFIED OF THEM!

I TURNED AND SCURRIED INTO A HOLE! BUT I KNEW I COULDN'T ESCAPE FOREVER! SOONER OR LATER A CAT WOULD CATCH ME... FOR THAT WAS MY FATE... AND NOTHING COULD CHANGE IT!

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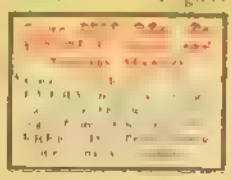

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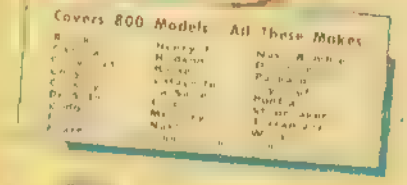

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They reached the edge of the village and were about to turn down the road that would lead to the hotel when they were stopped by one of the local police. He flashed a light into the car

"Where are you going?" he asked.

"I'm Jack Renolds, a tourist. This is my guide. And we are taking this young lady, Maria Ferrizi to her grand-mother. Then we are going to our hotel."

"Let me see your papers."

They allowed the policeman to examine their credentials

"What's all the fuss?" asked Jack.

"There are vampires in the vicinity. We must be careful of everyone who enters the village."

"I can understand," said Jack.

The policeman allowed them to pass and warned them against walking through the streets at night. "From here on in," said the officer, "be suspicious of everyone you see. It may mean your life."

Jack assured him that he had every intention of doing just that. They continued on their way.

The more he thought of it, the more suspicious he became of the guide he had acquired in Naples two days before. Of course the man had made no attempt to do anything, but even then — He just didn't like that gleam in his eyes. He was especially worried for the little girl.

He looked at her, and she smiled up at him. She showed no sign of fear. Well, they said that a child could tell whether a person was really good or bad. She seemed to sense nothing wrong.

The village was an old one. The houses were of stone, and you could see them crumbling in corners. Mounds of rock and rubble lined the street. War damage had been pretty much cleared away, but no one seemed to be rebuilding. People were like that some time: they became apathetic after a long period of suffering.

Maria directed them to the house where she lived. The bak-

ery out front was much like the other shops in the village. Broken windows patched together with wood and cardboard, piles of rock in front of the street.

"Would you like to meet grand-mamma?" asked Maria.

"No," said Luigi. "We must be getting on."

Jack looked at the guide with some annoyance. He liked to make decisions for himself. When the little girl said: "Oh, please. I want her to see that I did not walk through the streets alone, so she will not get angry," Jack answered:

"Of course we'll go in to meet your grandmother."

Luigi flushed, and shrugged his shoulders as if to say: *You're the boss.*

The rickety stairs squeaked, and the smell of garlic and spagetti sauce filled the hallway. They entered through a door on the second landing and passed through several rooms before they came to one where an old woman sat on a hardwood chair before a table on which there was a single lit candle. She appeared to be praying. When she heard them, she looked up and smiled.

"Maria where have you been until this hour?"

"These gentlemen have brought me home, Grand-mamma." She laughed.

The old lady's smile broadened. "Sit down *senores*."

"They are afraid of the vampires, Grand-mamma," said Maria, and there was an edge on her voice.

Luigi screamed. A horrible ear-piercing scream, and Jack turned his attention from Maria in time to see the old woman sink her long fang-like teeth into the Italian's neck.

Jack was stunned for a moment, and then he too screamed, when he saw Maria change into a bat. She circled around the room once, and came straight at him . . .

They had stumbled into the Valley of the Vampires.

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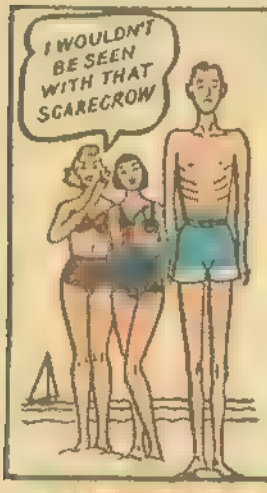

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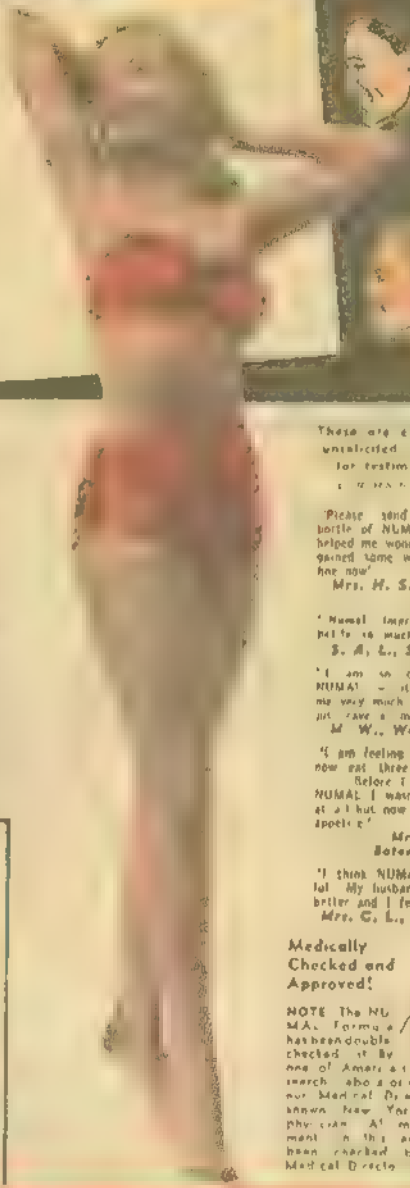

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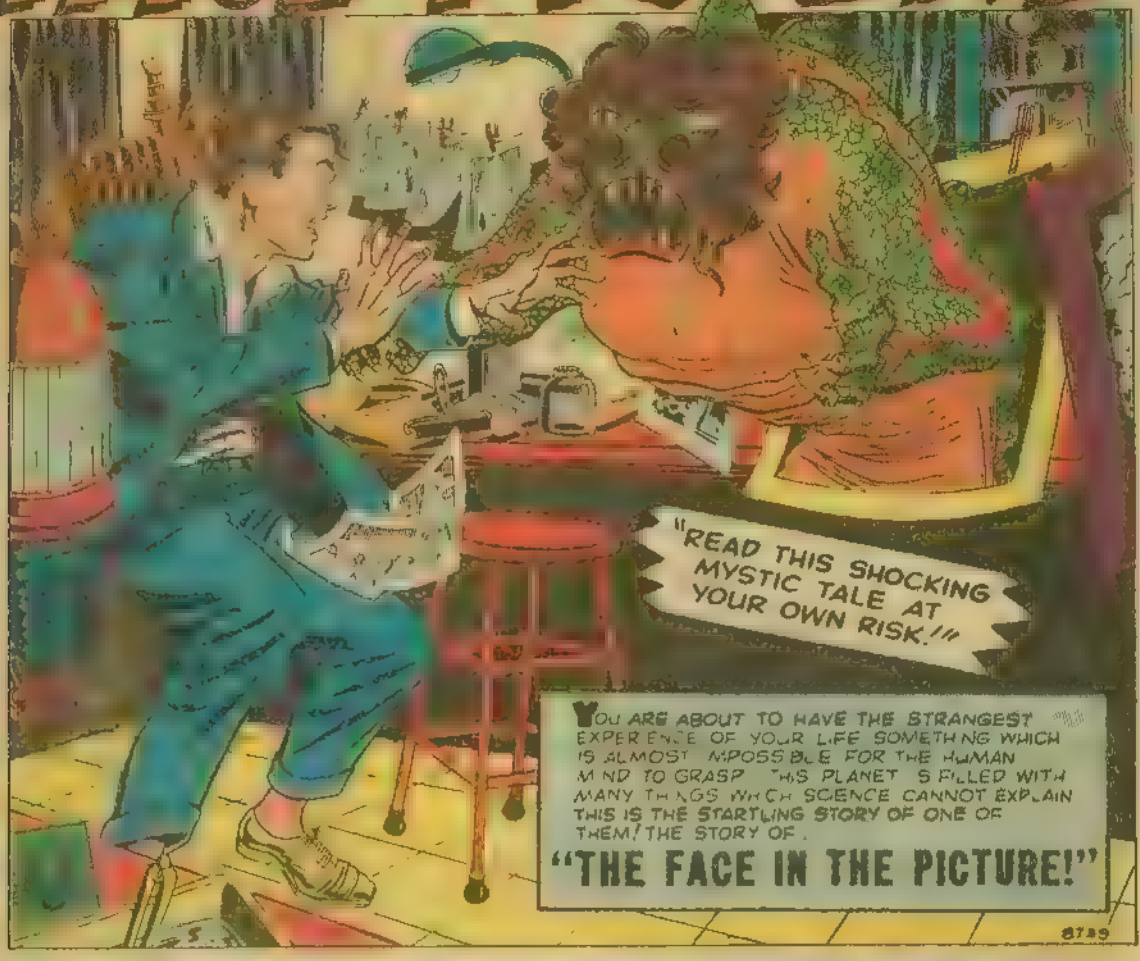
"READ THIS SHOCKING MYSTIC TALE AT YOUR OWN RISK!!!"
YOU ARE ABOUT TO HAVE THE STRANGEST EXPERIENCE OF YOUR LIFE SOMETHING WHICH IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE HUMAN MIND TO GRASP. THIS PLANET IS FILLED WITH MANY THINGS WHICH SCIENCE CANNOT EXPLAIN. THIS IS THE STARTLING STORY OF ONE OF THEM! THE STORY OF
"THE FACE IN THE PICTURE!"
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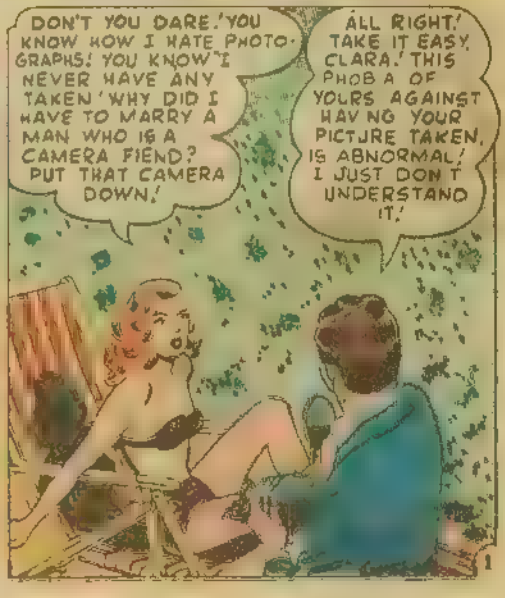
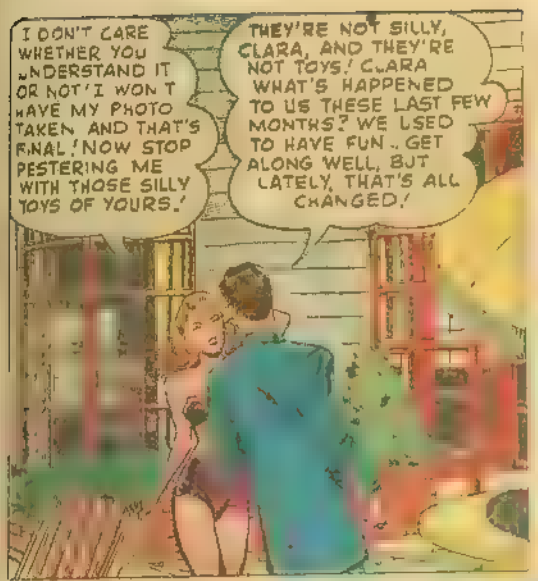
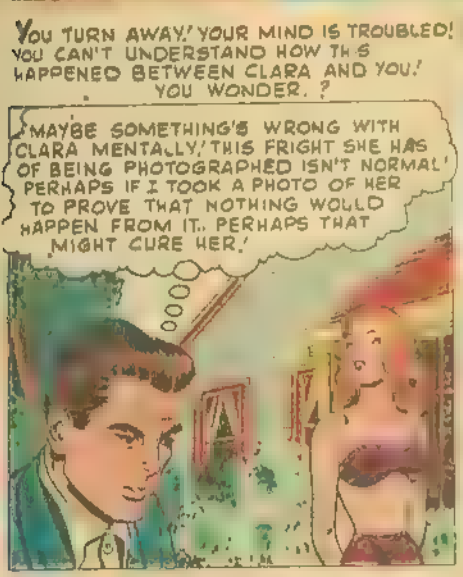
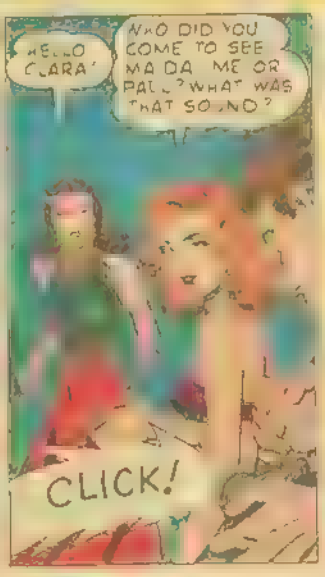
YOU, PAUL DESMOND, ARE PRETTY WELL FIXED FINANCIALLY! YOU HAVE A NICE HOME, A GOOD LOOKING WIFE, AND A HOBBY... A HOBBY YOUR WIFE DETESTS. PHOTOGRAPHY
HI, CLARA.' SAY, YOU'D MAKE A HONEY OF A PHOTO IN THAT SWIM SUIT.'


DON'T YOU DARE.' YOU KNOW HOW I HATE PHOTOGRAPHS! YOU KNOW I NEVER HAVE ANY TAKEN. WHY DID I HAVE TO MARRY A MAN WHO IS A CAMERA FIEND? PUT THAT CAMERA DOWN.'
ALL RIGHT.' TAKE IT EASY, CLARA.' THIS PHOBIA OF YOURS AGAINST HAVING YOUR PICTURE TAKEN, IS ABNORMAL.' I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND IT.'


I DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU UNDERSTAND IT OR NOT! I WON'T HAVE MY PHOTO TAKEN AND THAT'S FINAL! NOW STOP PESTERING ME WITH THOSE SILLY TOYS OF YOURS!
THEY'RE NOT SILLY, CLARA, AND THEY'RE NOT TOYS! CLARA WHAT'S HAPPENED TO US THESE LAST FEW MONTHS? WE USED TO HAVE FUN.. GET ALONG WELL, BUT LATELY, THAT'S ALL CHANGED!

MARRIAGES DON'T ALWAYS LAST FOREVER, PAUL! I DON'T LIKE YOUR HOBBY, AND YOU RESENT THE FACT THAT I DON'T! ALSO I DON'T LIKE THE ATTENTION YOU PAY TO OUR NEW NEIGHBOR, MAIDA LEACH.. AH SPEAK OF THE DEVIL HERE SHE COMES NOW!
CLARA I OH, WHAT'S THE USE!


YOU TURN AWAY! YOUR MIND IS TROUBLED! YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW THIS HAPPENED BETWEEN CLARA AND YOU! YOU WONDER..?
MAYBE SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH CLARA MENTALLY! THIS FRIGHT SHE HAS OF BEING PHOTOGRAPHED ISN'T NORMAL! PERHAPS IF I TOOK A PHOTO OF HER TO PROVE THAT NOTHING WOULD HAPPEN FROM IT.. PERHAPS THAT MIGHT CURE HER!

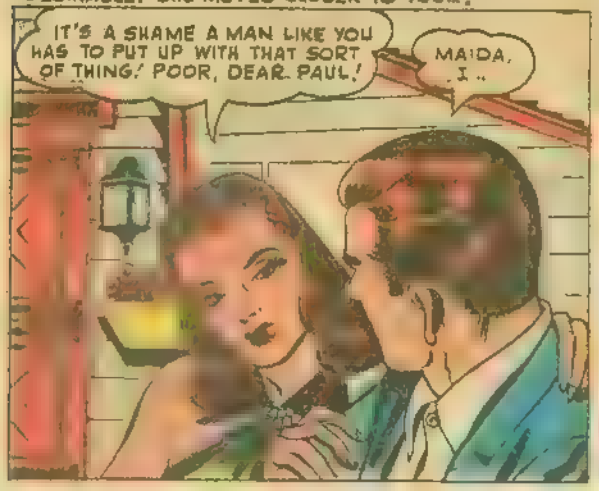

HELLO CLARA!
WHO DID YOU COME TO SEE MAIDA ME OR PAUL? WHAT WAS THAT SOUND?
CLICK!

YOU DID IT! YOU TOOK MY PICTURE! I TOLD YOU NOT TO! I TOLD YOU! I'LL SMASH THAT CAMERA.. SMASH ALL YOUR CAMERAS..!
CLARA STOP..! GET HOLD OF YOURSELF.

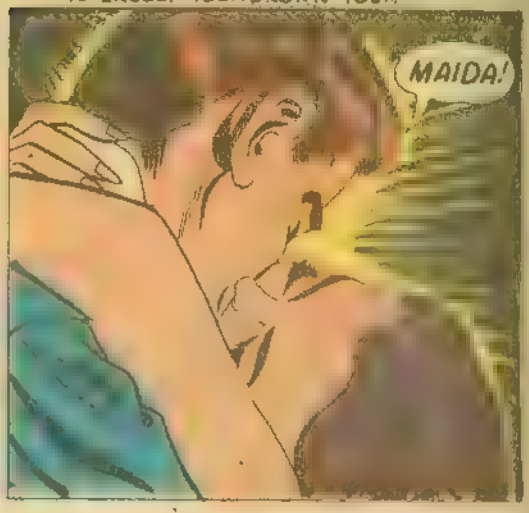
THERE! I THREW THE PLATE AWAY! THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT! NOW CALM DOWN!
PAUL, IF YOU EVER DO THAT AGAIN I'LL KILL YOU! DO YOU UNDERSTAND? I'LL KILL YOU!

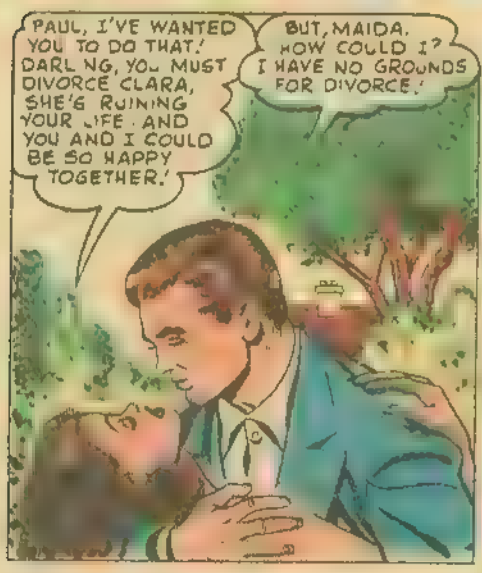
YOU WATCH BEWILDERED, AS YOUR WIFE STUMBLES INTO THE HOUSE! SHE'S CRYING NOW WEEPING HYSTERICALLY!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT!
SHE'S NOT WELL, PAUL! A PHOBIA OF THAT KIND ISN'T HEALTHY!

It's quiet, languidly drowsy, out here under the sun, now that the tense hysteria of Clara, is gone! You look at Maida... she's beautiful, desirable! She moves closer to you...!

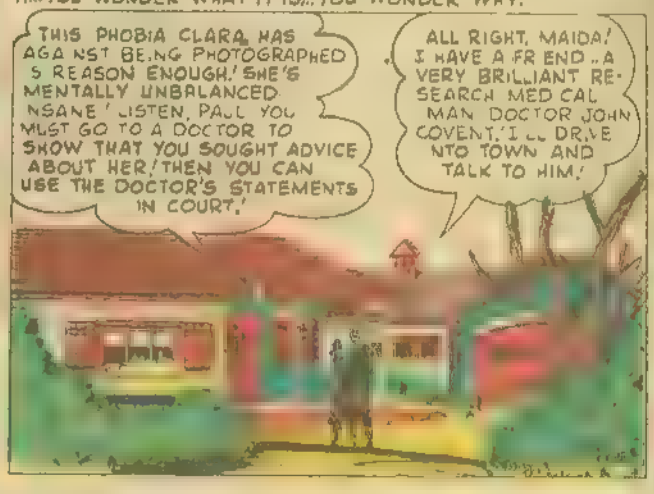


Her eyes seemed to become huge .deep wells of understanding and comfort.' they seemed to engulf you.. drown you..'

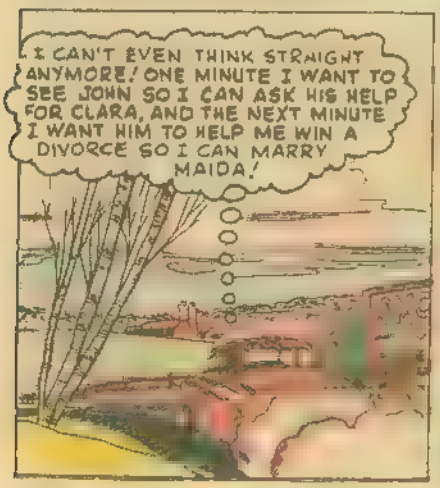



PAUL, I'VE WANTED YOU TO DO THAT! DARL NG, YOU MUST DIVORCE CLARA, SHE'S RUINING YOUR LIFE. AND YOU AND I COULD BE SO HAPPY TOGETHER!
BUT, MAIDA, HOW COULD I? I HAVE NO GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE!

You know what she's going to say.' At this moment you want to get rid of Clara, and you want to marry Maida.' yet something deep inside you shrinks from it... you wonder what it is... you wonder why.'


THIS PHOBIA CLARA HAS AGA NST BE.NG PHOTOGRAPHED S REASON ENOUGH.' SHE'S MENTALLY UNBALANCED NSANE ' LISTEN, PAUL YOU MUST GO TO A DOCTOR TO SHOW THAT YOU SOUGHT ADVICE ABOUT HER.' THEN YOU CAN USE THE DOCTOR'S STATEMENTS IN COURT.'
ALL RIGHT, MAIDA! I HAVE A FR END .. A VERY BRILLIANT RE- SEARCH MED CAL MAN DOCTOR JOHN COVENT.' I L DRIVE NTO TOWN AND TALK TO HIM.'

Then you are drv ng toward town, your mind n a chaot c swirl pulled to distortion by the two women in your life.


I CAN'T EVEN THINK STRAIGHT ANYMORE.' ONE MINUTE I WANT TO SEE JOHN SO I CAN ASK HIS HELP FOR CLARA, AND THE NEXT MINUTE I WANT HIM TO HELP ME WIN A DIVORCE SO I CAN MARRY MAIDA!

MAIDA IS SO BEAUTIFUL. SO COMPELLING.' WHEN I'M WITH HER I'D DO ANY- THING SHE TELLS ME TO! I'LL MAKE A CLEAN BREAST OF THE WHOLE TH NG TO JOHN AND ASK HIS ADVICE.'
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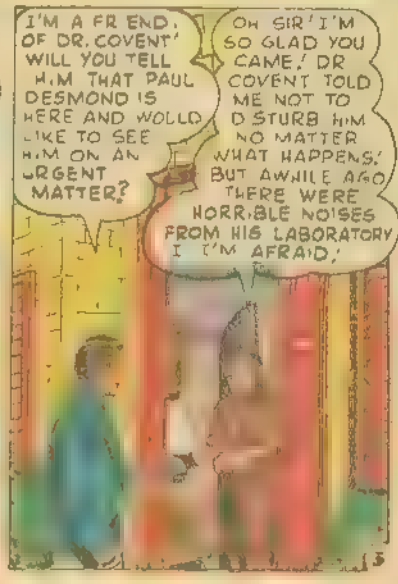
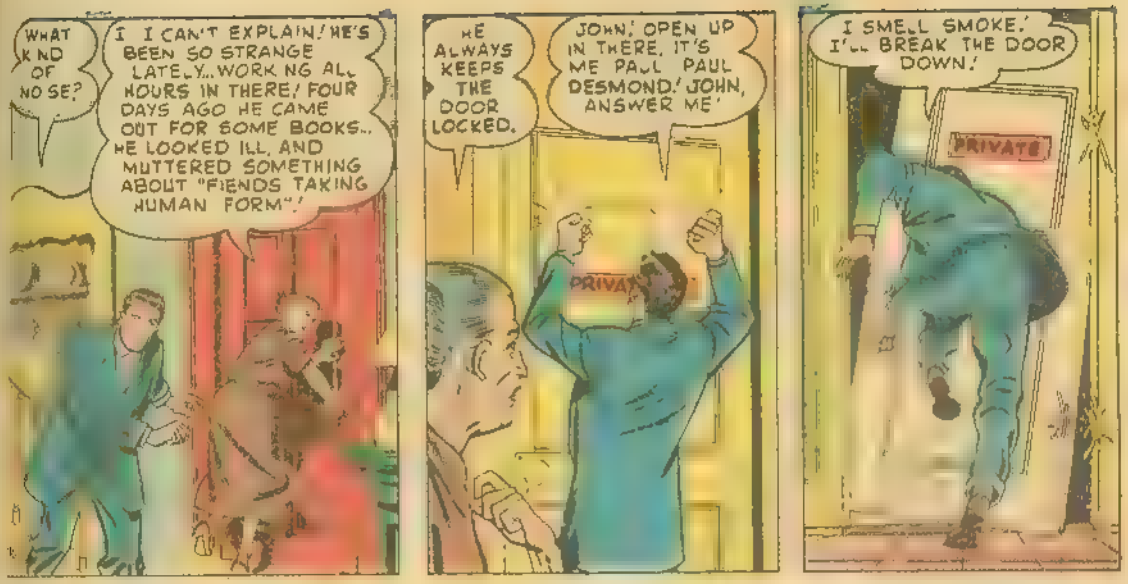
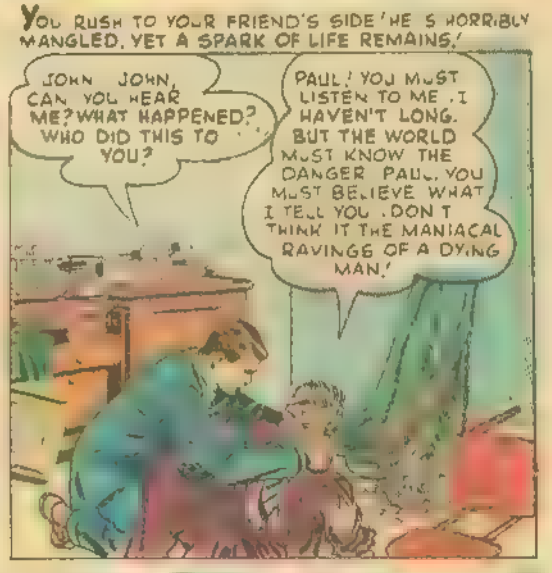
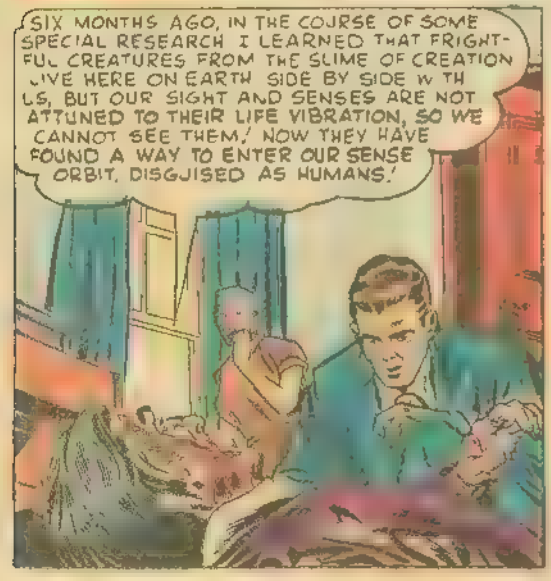
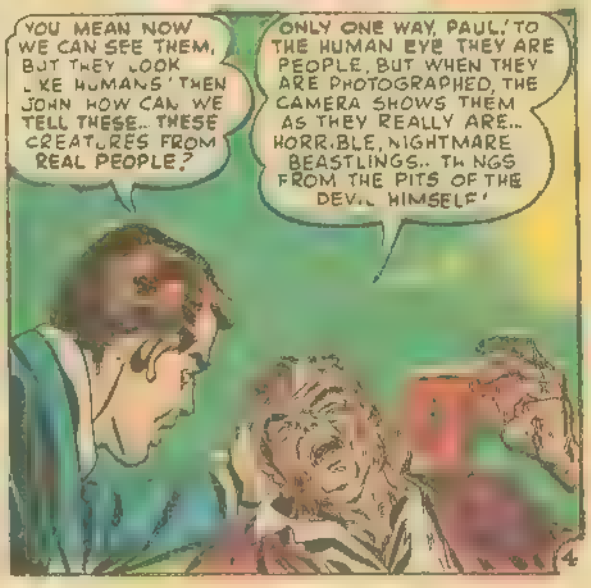

I'M A FR END. OF DR. COVENT' WILL YOU TELL H.M THAT PAUL DESMOND IS HERE AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE H.M ON AN URGENT MATTER?
OH SIR' I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME.' DR COVENT TOLD ME NOT TO D STURB HIM NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS.' BUT AWHILE AGO THERE WERE HORRIBLE NOISES FROM HIS LABORATORY I I'M AFRAID.'


WHAT KIND OF NOISE?
I I CAN'T EXPLAIN! HE'S BEEN SO STRANGE LATELY... WORKING ALL HOURS IN THERE! FOUR DAYS AGO HE CAME OUT FOR SOME BOOKS.. HE LOOKED ILL, AND MUTTERED SOMETHING ABOUT "FIENDS TAKING HUMAN FORM"!
HE ALWAYS KEEPS THE DOOR LOCKED.
JOHN! OPEN UP IN THERE. IT'S ME PAUL PAUL DESMOND! JOHN, ANSWER ME!
PRIVATE
I SMELL SMOKE! I'LL BREAK THE DOOR DOWN!
PRIVATE

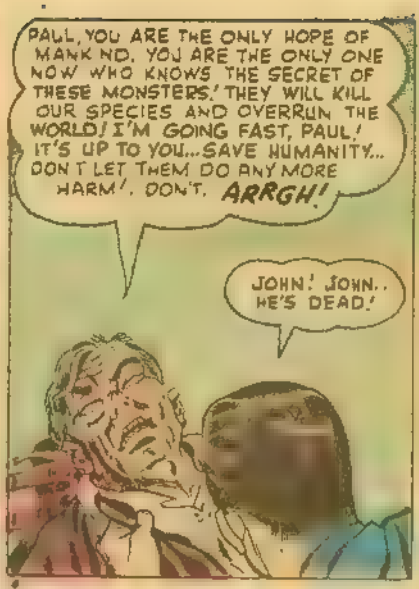
YOU BURST INTO THE LABORATORY AND AS YOU DO YOU SEE A MOVEMENT AT THE WINDOW... THE FOOT OF SOMEONE OR SOMETHING GOING OUT THE WINDOW! YOUR IMAGINATION IS PLAYING TRICKS YOU TELL YOURSELF FOR TO YOU, THE FOOT LOOKED SCALY LOATHSOME
LOOK! DOCTOR JOHN! OHHHNN!


YOU RUSH TO YOUR FRIEND'S SIDE! HE IS HORRIBLY MANGLED, YET A SPARK OF LIFE REMAINS!
JOHN JOHN, CAN YOU HEAR ME? WHAT HAPPENED? WHO DID THIS TO YOU?
PAUL! YOU MUST LISTEN TO ME. I HAVEN'T LONG. BUT THE WORLD MUST KNOW THE DANGER PAUL. YOU MUST BELIEVE WHAT I TELL YOU. DON'T THINK IT THE MANIACAL RAVINGS OF A DYING MAN!

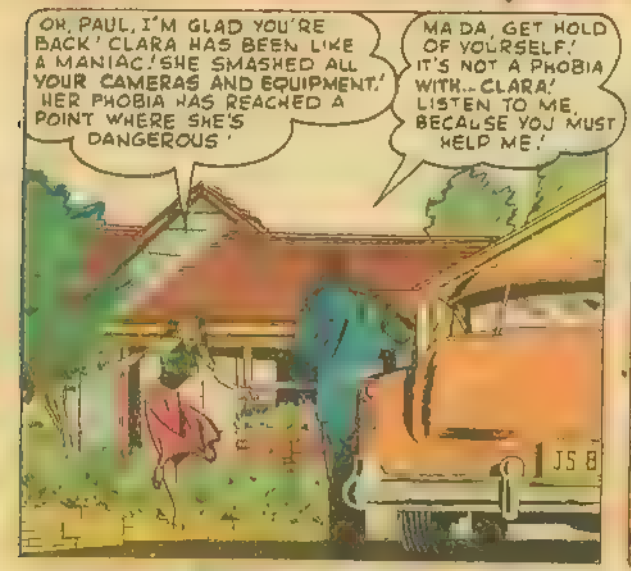

SIX MONTHS AGO, IN THE COURSE OF SOME SPECIAL RESEARCH I LEARNED THAT FRIGHTFUL CREATURES FROM THE SLIME OF CREATION LIVE HERE ON EARTH SIDE BY SIDE WITH US, BUT OUR SIGHT AND SENSES ARE NOT ATTUNED TO THEIR LIFE VIBRATION, SO WE CANNOT SEE THEM,' NOW THEY HAVE FOUND A WAY TO ENTER OUR SENSE ORBIT, DISGUISED AS HUMANS.'


YOU MEAN NOW WE CAN SEE THEM, BUT THEY LOOK LIKE HUMANS' THEN JOHN HOW CAN WE TELL THESE.. THESE CREATURES FROM REAL PEOPLE?
ONLY ONE WAY, PAUL.' TO THE HUMAN EYE THEY ARE PEOPLE, BUT WHEN THEY ARE PHOTOGRAPHED, THE CAMERA SHOWS THEM AS THEY REALLY ARE.. HORRIBLE, NIGHTMARE BEASTLINGS.. THINGS FROM THE PITS OF THE DEVIL HIMSELF!

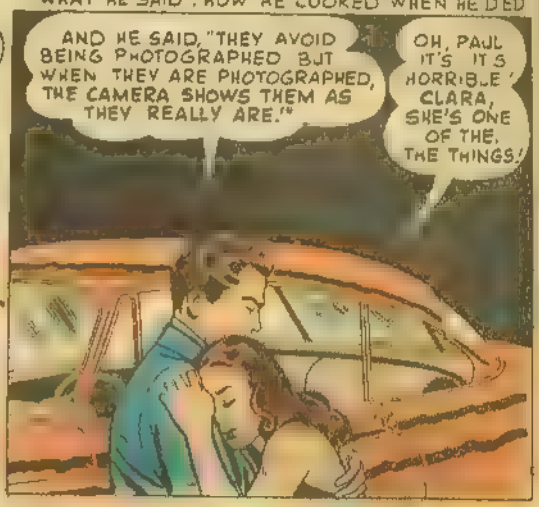
THEY AVOID BEING PHOTOGRAPHED, BUT I GOT SOME SHOTS OF ONE OF THEM.' IT WAS THE ONE WHO CAME HERE TONIGHT,' IT BURNED THE PHOTOS AND DID THIS TO ME!
THEY AVOID BEING PHOTO-GRAPHED?

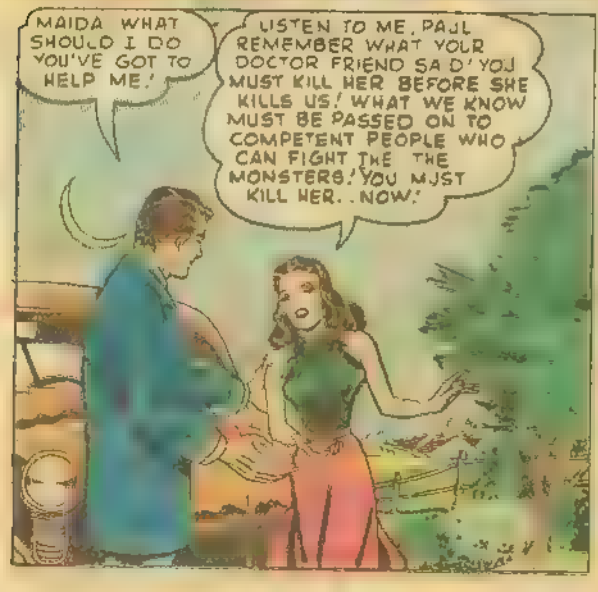

PAUL, YOU ARE THE ONLY HOPE OF MANKIND. YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE NOW WHO KNOWS THE SECRET OF THESE MONSTERS.' THEY WILL KILL OUR SPECIES AND OVERRUN THE WORLD! I'M GOING FAST, PAUL.' IT'S UP TO YOU...SAVE HUMANITY... DON'T LET THEM DO ANY MORE HARM!. DON'T. ARRGH!
JOHN! JOHN.. HE'S DEAD.'

YOU DON'T REMEMBER LEAVING .YOUR MIND IS IN TURMOIL, WITH ONE SENTENCE SEARING YOUR BRAIN LIKE LIVING FLAME AS YOU SPEED HOMEWARD.'


OH, PAUL, I'M GLAD YOU'RE BACK.' CLARA HAS BEEN LIKE A MANIAC.' SHE SMASHED ALL YOUR CAMERAS AND EQUIPMENT.' HER PHOBIA HAS REACHED A POINT WHERE SHE'S DANGEROUS.'
MAIDA, GET HOLD OF YOURSELF.' IT'S NOT A PHOBIA WITH--CLARA.' LISTEN TO ME, BECAUSE YOU MUST HELP ME.'

THE QUICK CALIFORNIA NIGHT CLOSES IN AS YOU STAND THERE, TELLING MAIDA ABOUT JOHN COVERT WHAT HE SAID . HOW HE LOOKED WHEN HE DIED


AND HE SAID, "THEY AVOID BEING PHOTOGRAPHED BUT WHEN THEY ARE PHOTOGRAPHED, THE CAMERA SHOWS THEM AS THEY REALLY ARE."
OH, PAUL IT'S IT'S HORRIBLE.' CLARA, SHE'S ONE OF THE, THE THINGS!


MAIDA WHAT SHOULD I DO YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME.'
LISTEN TO ME, PAUL REMEMBER WHAT YOUR DOCTOR FRIEND SAID' YOU MUST KILL HER BEFORE SHE KILLS US.' WHAT WE KNOW MUST BE PASSED ON TO COMPETENT PEOPLE WHO CAN FIGHT THE THE MONSTERS.' YOU MUST KILL HER. . NOW.'

THERE SHE IS.' LISTEN, I'LL RUN BACK TO MY PLACE AND GET MY CAR. THE TRUNK IS BIGGER THAN YOURS. BIG ENOUGH TO HOLD HER BODY.' YOU GO IN AND KILL HER QUICKLY.' I'LL BE BACK WITH MY CAR IN A FEW MINUTES.' DO YOU HEAR ME, PAUL?
YES, YES I HEAR YOU I'LL DO IT.' BUT HURRY BACK, MAIDA I NEED YOU.'

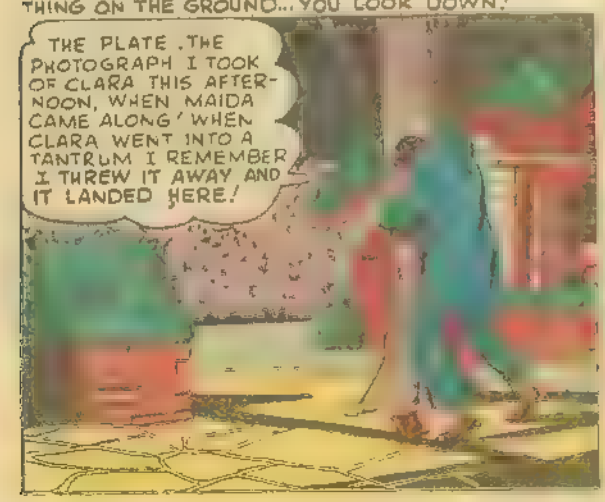
YOU HEAR MAIDA'S FOOTSTEPS RETREATING AND YOU STEEL YOURSELF FOR WHAT YOU MUST DO! YOU SNEAK IN THROUGH THE FRENCH DOORS!

SUDDENLY YOU REALIZE YOU HAVE NO WEAPON... THEN YOUR EYES LIGHT UPON THE FIREPLACE POKER! YOU REACH FOR IT, YOUR EYES NEVER LEAVING THE FORM OF THE THING...THE THING THAT YOU KNOW AS, CLARA, YOUR WIFE!

YOU STRIKE AGAIN AND AGAIN, INSANE WITH FEAR...FEAR OF THE MONSTER.. FEAR OF THE THING YOU ARE DOING!

IT'S DONE! YOU STAND ABOVE THE BODY, THE BODY THAT HASN'T CHANGED, THAT STILL LOOKS LIKE CLARA, YOUR WIFE! YOU'RE SPENT WITH EMOTION SICK WITH A NAMELESS DISGUST AND FEAR

SOAKED WITH PERSPIRATION, YOU DRAG YOURSELF TO THE DOOR! YOU NEED AIR.. LOTS OF AIR! THEN AS YOU STAGGER OUT, YOUR FOOT STRIKES SOMETHING ON THE GROUND... YOU LOOK DOWN!


THE PLATE .THE PHOTOGRAPH I TOOK OF CLARA THIS AFTERNOON, WHEN MAIDA CAME ALONG' WHEN CLARA WENT INTO A TANTRUM I REMEMBER I THREW IT AWAY AND IT LANDED HERE!

SUDDENLY A WILD DESIRE COMES TO YOU, TO SEE WHAT THESE CREATURES FROM THE SLIME LOOK LIKE!

JOHN SAID, THE MONSTERS ARE SEEN IN THE PHOTO AS THEY REALLY ARE! THIS PICTURE I TOOK OF CLARA... I'LL DEVELOP IT... IT WILL SHOW HER IN HER TRUE FORM!

YOU HURRY TO YOUR DARK ROOM! YOUR EQUIPMENT IS A SHAMBLES... CLARA HAD SMASHED EVERYTHING! BUT THE DEVELOPING TANK IS STILL INTACT!

NOW I'LL SEE! I...I WISH MAIDA WOULD HURRY...SHE GIVES ME STRENGTH!

THE NEGATIVE IS IN THE DEVELOPING FLUID! NOW ALL YOU CAN DO S WAIT! YOU LIGHT A CIGARETTE W TH SHAK NG F NGERS, AND YOU BECOME CONSC OUS OF THE BODY UPSTAIRS...VAGUE MOVE- MENTS IN THE DARK, THE DARK THAT SEEMS TO BE CLOSING IN ON YOU!

WHY DOESN'T MAIDA COME? I WISH THAT FLUID WOULD HURRY AND TAKE EFFECT ON THE NEGATIVE! MAYBE THE DEVELOPING FLUID IS BAD..OR TOO OLD .MAYBE IT W LL SPOIL THE PHOTO SO T CAN'T BE SEEN! I...I ALMOST HOPE IT DOES!

IT'S DEVELOPING...IT'S BEGINNING TO SHOW AN OUTLINE!

THERE, NOW I CAN SEE CLARA. CLARA! SHE'S THE SAME..SHE'S NOT A MONSTER.. SHE'S HUMAN...HUMAN! I KILLED HER I KILLED CLARA, MY WIFE, AND SHE'S A WOMAN, A HUMAN BEING! WHAT HAVE I DONE. ?

BEHIND HER .BEHIND CLARA, MAIDA, COMING TOWARD HER! BUT. BUT IT'S NOT MAIDA. IT'S SOMETH NG LOATHSOME NIGHTMAR SH! IT'S MAIDA WHO'S THE MONSTER! NOT CLARA. MA DA!

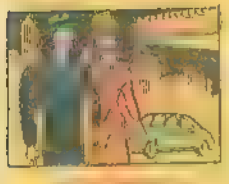
YES, PAUL, IT'S ME, MA DA WHO SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN PHOTOGRAPHED! IT WAS ONLY A PHOB A WITH CLARA BUT IT F TTED N NICELY, DIDN'T IT? TURN AROUND, PAUL! FOR A MOMENT, I'LL PULL ASIDE THE VEIL LET YOU SEE ME AS I REALLY AM. .BEFORE I DESTROY YOU! TURN AROUND, PAUL, AND LOOK!

NO! NOOOO!

NEW HEALTH SUPPORTER BELT

For men in their 30's 40's 50's who want to

LOOK SLIMMER and FEEL YOUNGER



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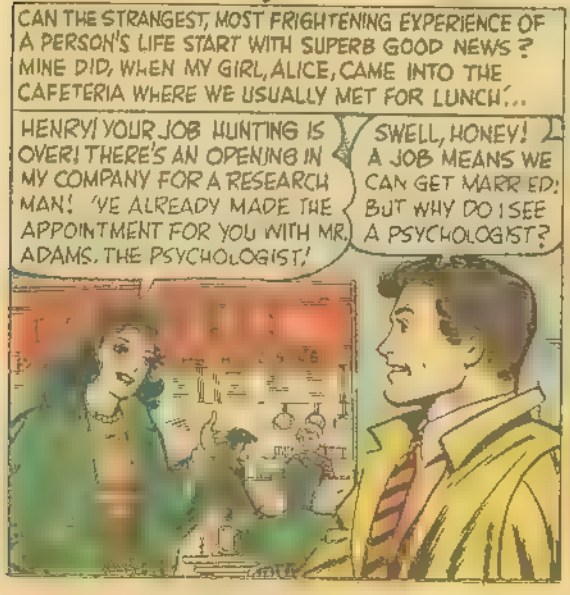
TRAPPED!
A STRANGE ARTICLE OF TERROR!
WHEN YOU READ ABOUT THE LITTLE BOX, WITH THE IRON BARS, DON'T LEAN TOO CLOSE! .. OR YOU MAY NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN!
SOMETIMES THINGS CAN BE RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES--YOU SEE THEM, YET THE OTHER FELLOW DOESN'T! THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED TO ME! I SAW THE TRAP... I SAW THE PRISON AND THE TERROR THAT LURKED BEHIND THOSE IRON BARS! THAT CAGE WAS THE PERILOUS OBSTACLE TO MY FUTURE HAPPINESS--AND I WAS HELPLESS... HELPLESS!


CAN THE STRANGEST, MOST FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCE OF A PERSON'S LIFE START WITH SUPERB GOOD NEWS? MINE DID, WHEN MY GIRL, ALICE, CAME INTO THE CAFETERIA WHERE WE USUALLY MET FOR LUNCH...
HENRY! YOUR JOB HUNTING IS OVER! THERE'S AN OPENING IN MY COMPANY FOR A RESEARCH MAN! I'VE ALREADY MADE THE APPOINTMENT FOR YOU WITH MR. ADAMS, THE PSYCHOLOGIST!
SWELL, HONEY! A JOB MEANS WE CAN GET MARRIED! BUT WHY DO I SEE A PSYCHOLOGIST?

ROUTINE INTERVIEW! THEY USUALLY QUESTION AN APPLICANT AND GIVE HIM TESTS TO FIND OUT WHAT SORT OF PERSONALITY HE IS! THAT TELLS THEM WHAT TYPE OF RESEARCH HE'S BEST SUITED FOR! DARLING, YOU'VE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT! I'M SURE YOUR TEST WILL BE FINE!
NO REASON WHY IT SHOULDN'T! WELL, HERE'S HOPING, HONEY! NOW--LET'S EAT!
finest coffee in town 10¢

CONFIDENTLY, I WENT IN FOR MY APPOINTMENT THE NEXT MORNING! MR. ADAMS, THE PSYCHOLOGIST, PROMPTLY ASKED ME THE ROUTINE QUESTIONS...
NAME...? AGE...? HOBBIES...?
HENRY CARSON... I'M 26 YEARS OLD, AND MY HOBBY IS MY INTEREST IN TIME AND SPACE... DIMENSIONS BEYOND THOSE WE KNOW, BEYOND THE FOUR WALLS THAT BIND US!
THAT'S VERY INTERESTING! WE ALL HAVE OUR HOBBIES AND YOURS SHOWS IMAGINATION! NOW, MR. CARSON, LOOK IN THIS CUBE AND TELL ME WHAT YOU SEE! THE INSIDE CONTAINS WIRES AND NAILS.. BUT TO EACH PERSONALITY THEY MAKE A DIFFERENT DESIGN!
YES, SIR!
LOOK IN!
I STARED INSIDE! THERE WAS A DESIGN. IT WAS COMING STARTLINGLY INTO FOCUS...
WHAT DO YOU SEE MR. CARSON?
A--A LITTLE MAN.
LET ME OUT! LET ME OUT!
HE'S ALIVE! HE'S CRYING OUT TO ME! HE WANTS TO GET OUT!
MR. CARSON, THIS IS A SERIOUS TEST! PLEASE DON'T MAKE A JOKE OF IT!
...A LITTLE MAN? NONSENSE!
I MEANT WHAT I SAID! I SAW A LITTLE MAN, A HUMAN BEING! I HEARD HIS PLEADING VOICE!
HELP ME! HELP ME!
POOR LITTLE FELLOW! HE'S TRAPPED! WE HAVE TO GET HIM OUT! SEE FOR YOURSELF!
I SEE...
I SEE... NOTHING EXCEPT WIRES AND NAILS! IF YOU WISH TO IMAGINE THAT THE WIRES AND NAILS LOOK LIKE A LITTLE MAN, VERY WELL! BUT IT'S ABSURD TO INSIST THAT A HUMAN BEING IS HERE, A LIVING PERSON WHO TALKS.
I'M SORRY YOUNG MAN! I CANNOT RECOMMEND YOU FOR A POSITION HERE. YOUR STATE OF MIND IS TOO IRRATIONAL! GOOD DAY!
BUT I CAN'T GO AND LEAVE THE LITTLE MAN A PRISONER! I MUST HELP HIM! PLEASE! GIVE ME THE CUBE!
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FINALLY, I PERSUADED MR. ADAMS TO LET ME HAVE THE CUBE... BUT HE WASN'T CONVINCED OF THE PRESENCE OF THE TINY PRISONER!
ALL RIGHT! TAKE THE CUBE HOME WITH YOU! PERHAPS IT WILL ERASE THAT RIDICULOUS IMPRESSION AND PUT YOU IN A NORMAL STATE OF MIND!
HENRY, WHAT'S WRONG?
THERE'S A LITTLE MAN IMPRISONED IN THIS CUBE! MR. ADAMS DOESN'T SEE HIM, BUT YOU SEE HIM, DON'T YOU, ALICE?
HENRY, THERE ARE ONLY WIRES AND NAILS IN HERE... I'M VERY WORRIED ABOUT YOU! YOU'D BETTER SEE A DOCTOR, OR MAYBE A PSYCHIATRIST!
I NEEDED NO MEDICAL ADVICE... WHAT I NEEDED WERE THE PROPER TOOLS TO EXTRICATE THE LITTLE, TRAPPED MAN! I HURRIED HOME!
HURRY! HURRY!
CAN'T... THIS FILE'S THE SHARPEST THERE IS! BUT THE CUBE'S A TRAP ALL RIGHT! WON'T YIELD THE SLIGHTEST!
SORRY... I'VE TRIED EVERYTHING! WHO ARE YOU? HOW DID YOU GET TRAPPED IN THE CUBE?
I DON'T KNOW! I CAN'T REMEMBER! I WISH I COULD! THIS IS A TERRIBLE STATE FOR A MAN TO BE IN!
I WISH I COULD THINK OF SOME WAY TO RESCUE YOU! IT'S A VERY STRANGE PREDICAMENT! IF YOU COULD ONLY REMEMBER HOW YOU GOT IN THERE, IT MIGHT HELP!
HENRY! ARE YOU STILL AT IT? HENRY, YOU HAVE TO STOP!
BEFORE I REALIZED IT, ALICE GRABBED THE CUBE IN BOTH HANDS... AND HURLED IT!
GET RID OF THAT CUBE, HENRY! GET RID OF THAT THING!
LOOK OUT! HE'LL BE HURT! HE'LL BE KILLED!
THANKS, HENRY! THAT WAS CLOSE! A FALL TO THE FLOOR WOULD'VE BROKEN MY BONES! TELL YOUR GIRL-FRIEND NOT TO BE SO CARELESS!
THERE! DID YOU HEAR HIM, ALICE?

WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT PIMPLES

Acne, Blackheads, and other ...internally caused skin blemishes

WHEN pimply skin is your problem the first thing to get straight is that you *can* and *should* do something about it. To develop the attractiveness of your face is not mere vanity. It is an "open sesame" towards bringing the real YOU closer to other people and giving your personality the poise and confidence it needs. Your good qualities—intelligence, character, dignity—all go to naught... are completely cancelled out by a skin that "nobody loves to touch." Remember, the YOU that people first see is your face.

SKIN PROBLEMS DEMAND IMMEDIATE CARE

Medical statistics tell us that blemished skin usually occurs from adolescence on through adult life. The problem at the adolescent stage is serious enough to deserve attentive care as a family matter. In adulthood when life's responsibilities are so much weightier, it is doubly important to exert great effort to eliminate these blemishes. And, there is no better time to get pimples under control than *now*.

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The first instinctive reaction to pimples and blackheads is to squeeze them out with your fingers. A bit of experimentation along these lines soon provides convincing proof that this succeeds only in inflaming your skin and spreading the infection. Under no circumstances should pimples and blackheads ever be squeezed

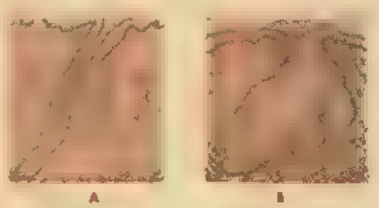
MICROSCOPE SHOWS IMPORTANT BASIS FOR EXTERNALLY CAUSED PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

Let's take a look through the microscope to see what's behind those unsightly pimples. The high-powered lenses show your skin coated with a covering which originated from two sources—one, internally and the other, externally.

The internal substances on your skin include dead cells, residue from the sweat glands, and a high quantity of oil excreted by the sebaceous glands. A most important factor in skin disorders occurs when thousands of these tiny sebaceous glands discharge more oil than the skin can use for lubrication. Unless special care is given, the oil forms a heavy film which attracts foreign matter to your skin much as any oil mop picks up dust. These infectious external substances may be classified into three general groups.

1. Airborne materials such as dust, pollens, condensation products of smoke, vapors, etc.
2. Materials brought in contact with the skin, such as tiny fragments of clothing, bedding, cosmetics.
3. Micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi.

See the difference between a healthy skin and a pimply skin in the microscopic reproductions below.



A — Normal skin

B — Sick, pimply skin

Diagram A shows a normal size, smoothly functioning sebaceous gland. Diagram B pictures sick, pimply skin. Notice that the sebaceous gland is a swollen mass of trapped oil, waste and infectious bacteria.

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Two sensible aims to achieve it: controlling this skin condition are: to clear the pores of clogging matter, and to inhibit the excessive oiliness of the skin. Toward these ends, Dornol Products' research makes available two formulas. One is to aid in thorough cleansing by highly detergent penetration which simplifies the removal of waste and foreign matter. The other is to discourage oiliness with clinically-proved ingredients, and to kill infectious bacteria often associated with externally caused pimples and blackheads.

BLEMISHES COVERED UP

To remove the distressing embarrassment of these skin blemishes, the second Dornol formula exerts a "cover-up" action on your broken out skin while the medication does its work. This, plus its pleasant odor, will spare you the mental distress which is associated with unsightly, malodorous, medicated preparations. Imagine! You can apply this Dornol formula to your skin by day and face the immediate present with greater confidence in your appearance, while secure in the knowledge that medication is acting to remove old blemishes and keep away new ones. What this "cover-up" action alone is worth in peace of mind is beyond calculation. No longer need prying eyes make you wince with humiliation and misery. Now because of this wonderful feature of the Dornol treatment, you can put your best foot forward . . . at once.

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[illegible] YOUR MONEY BACK

We know what the Dornol treatment has done for others, so we want you to try it at *our risk*. A few minutes a day invested in our treatment can yield more gratifying results than you ever dared hope for. This is what we say to you. If you are not delighted in every way by the improved condition and general appearance of your skin in just 10 days, simply return the unused portion and we will refund not only the price you paid—but DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK! Can anything be fairer than that? You have everything to gain . . . *and we take all the risk!*

[illegible] Just send your name and address to DORNOL PRODUCTS, Inc., Dept 2611C 363 Central Park Ave., Yonkers, N. Y. Be sure to print clearly. By return mail we will ship the Dornol treatment to you in a plain package. When postman delivers the package, pay only $1.98 plus postage. Or, if you wish to save postal fee, send $2 now and we will pay postage. Which ever way you order, the DOUBLE REFUND GUARANTEE still prevails. Don't delay another minute, send for the Dornol Medicated Skin treatment with "cover-up" feature . . . *at once!* Sorry, no Canadian C.O.D.'s.

NO! AND IF THIS CUBE S SAYING HERE, YOU RE GETTING OUT! DARLING, YOU MUST FORGET ALL THIS! COME ON WE RE GO NG OUT. WE'LL TAKE N A MOVIE
BUT ALICE... H NEY.. OH, . ALL RIGHT
T E MOVIE WAS A GAY MUSICAL THAT CARRIED ME ON TS HAPPY CREST OF RHYTHM AND ROMANCE... I FOR- GO THE LITTLE MAN... UNTIL--
GET YOUR ICE CREAM BAR!
WASN T IT A GRAND MOVIE? IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE DANCING! LET'S GO TO THAT LITTLE NIGHT-CLUB ON ..TNEY STREET ..
BAR... CUBE! I HAVE TO GET BACK TO HIM!
HENRY, IF YOU LEAVE NOW--DON T COME BACK TO ME!
I CAN'T HELP IT! I CAN'T HELP T!
THE LITTLE MAN... FOUND HIM IN HIS USUAL POSITION... PRESSED AGAINST THE PRISON BARS TRYING VAINLY TO EXTRICATE HIMSELF...
YOU STILL CAN T THINK OF A WAY TO GET ME OUT?
NO NO..
OUT OF DESPERATION BEGAN TO BUSY MYSELF WITH MY HOBBY, HOPING SOMETHING WOULD OCCUR TO ME...
WHAT'S THAT HENRY?
IT'S A LITTLE MACHINE I INVENTED! I'M TRYING TO DISCOVER THE NEW DIMENSION OF TIME AND SPACE: I HAVEN'T SUCCEEDED YET, BUT I DO GET SOME REACTION!
THERE! SOMETHING'S HAPPENING! NOW IF THESE ABSTRACT LINES BREAK, THE DIMENSION OF THE ROOM SHOULD CHANGE AND I SHOULD BE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE SOME FLOATING SENSATION OF TIME AND SPACE! I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO ADVANCE THAT FAR!
TRY, HENRY... TRY AGAIN! I SUDDENLY FEEL THAT YOU SHOULD KEEP TRYING, THAT SOMEHOW IT'S IMPORTANT!
I KEPT TINKERING WITH THE MACHINE AND THEN SUDDENLY SOMETHING DID HAPPEN! PROGRESS!
I-I'M FLOATING! IT-IT'S WORKING!
HENRY!
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I STOPPED FLOATING... BUT WHAT DID IT MATTER? SOMETHING FAR MORE ASTOUNDING WAS HAPPENING!
HENRY! I'M FREE! NOW I REMEMBER JUST HOW I GOT TRAPPED!
HOW? HOW?
AS THE LITTLE MAN STEPPED OUT, THE CUBE LOCKED AGAIN! I WAS WITNESSING AN AMAZING PHENOMENON!
I'M SEYMOUR OGDEN AND I'VE BEEN WORKING, TOO, IN TIME AND SPACE DIMENSION...TO ME IT'S MORE THAN A HOBBY...IT'S MY LIFE-TIME WORK! BUT SOMETHING WENT WRONG WITH MY EXPERIMENT! IT REVERSED! HENRY, WILL YOU SET ME DOWN, PLEASE? I'D LIKE TO WALK ON A FLOOR ONCE AGAIN!
SURE.
THANKS, HENRY! YES, SOMETHING WENT WRONG! INSTEAD OF MY STEPPING OUT INTO SPACE--MY GREATEST GOAL IN LIFE--I WAS PUSHED INTO THE CUBE... MY SIZE REDUCED AS SPACE DIMINISHED! BUT YOUR MACHINE HIT JUST THE RIGHT REVERSAL BALANCE!
AND IT LIBERATED YOU!
AFTER I WAS TRAPPED, MY LANDLADY FOUND THE CUBE AND PUT IT IN THE NOVELTY STORE SHE RUNS... THE PSYCHOLOGIST BOUGHT IT...BUT YOU ALONE COULD SEE ME AND HEAR ME BECAUSE YOU HAVE MY UNDERSTANDING OF TIME AND SPACE! THANKS! IS THERE ANY FAVOR I CAN DO FOR YOU NOW?
THERE IS ONE...
COME WITH ME TO MR. ADAMS: YOU'RE PROOF OF WHAT I TOLD HIM ABOUT THE CUBE, AND I'LL BE ABLE TO GET THAT JOB... I'D BETTER CARRY YOU OR YOU'LL BE TRAMPLED ON!
AND TAKE THE CUBE AND YOUR DIMENSION MACHINE...WE MAY NEED EVERYTHING TO EXPLAIN!
I PHONED MR ADAMS. I ALSO PHONED ALICE...WE WERE ALL TO MEET AT MR ADAMS' HOME ..
HERE'S ADAMS' HOUSE!
YOU CAN PUT ME DOWN NOW! I'LL WALK THE REST OF THE WAY! (SIGH!) I WONDER IF I'LL EVER REGAIN MY NORMAL SIZE?

I SET SEYMOUR DOWN, RANG THE DOORBELL, AND ENTERED TRIUMPHANTLY... ALICE WAS ALREADY THERE...
NOW YOU CAN SEE FOR YOURSELVES! THERE WAS A LITTLE MAN IN THE CUBE! HERE HE IS.
LITTLE MAN? WHERE?
HENRY! I'VE REGAINED NORMAL SIZE!
AND YOU'RE TRYING TO TELL ME THIS MAN WAS IN THE CUBE! BAH! I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOUR JOKES!
SEYMOUR AND I TRIED TO EXPLAIN, BUT IN VIEW OF HIS RESTORED SIZE, THE STORY WAS HOPELESS!
POOR HENRY! I SAID I DIDN'T WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN, BUT WHEN YOU PHONED ME, I WAS HOPING YOU HAD COME TO YOUR SENSES!
EVERY WORD I SAID IS TRUE! I TURNED ON MY DIMENSION MACHINE, STRUCK THE WITH BALANCE, AND RELEASED SEYMOUR
ADAMS ONLY LOOKED AT ME WITH MORE DISDAIN... BUT SEYMOUR WAS BUSY...
MR. ADAMS, YOU NEED TO BE SHOWN THAT THERE IS SUCH A THING AS TIME-SPACE! THIS IS MY OWN DIMENSION DISC! MAYBE IF ATTACHED TO HENRY'S INVENTION, WE'D GET RESULTS!
NONSENSE!
THEN SUDDENLY-- SOMETHING CLICKED!
HENRY! THE COMBINATION HAS DONE IT! I'M FLOATING! FLOATING! IT'S WHAT I'VE ALWAYS WANTED! AT LAST!
AT LAST!
AT LAST! I ENTER TIME-SPACE! IT'S WONDERFUL! MY DREAM! MY GOAL! GOODBYE TO EARTH!
GREAT HEAVENS.
AS SEYMOUR DISAPPEARED INTO DIMENSIONAL MIST, THE CUBE BARS OPENED! I WAS BEING DRAWN TO THE TREACHEROUS LITTLE PRISON!
THE REVERSE BALANCE HAS STRUCK AGAIN! THE CUBE WANTS ME! I WON'T GO INTO IT! I WON'T! I MUSN'T!
WITH ALL MY STRENGTH, I PULLED AGAINST THE INVISIBLE FORCE OF TIME AND SPACE! I WON! THE CUBE CLOSED TIGHTLY! THE REVERSAL WAS OVER!
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